

Delaware will not provide voter information to White House commission

DOVER – Delaware will not comply with a request from the Presidential Advisory Commission on Election Integrity to provide the panel with sensitive voter registration information including personal identification details for hundreds of thousands of Delawareans.

“Releasing this information to the White House would not serve the mission of safeguarding the fairness and integrity of elections in Delaware and would not be in the best interests of Delaware voters,” said State Election Commissioner Elaine Manlove.

“Delaware has a long history of running fair and efficient elections open to all qualified voters. We should not be a part of any effort to turn back the clock on the progress we have made,” said Secretary of State Jeffrey Bullock. “Delaware will not be a party to this disingenuous and inappropriate campaign against one of the nation’s foundational institutions.”

A letter requesting the voter information was received by Secretary Bullock and forwarded to Commissioner Manlove. Unlike many states, elections in Delaware are not administered by the secretary of state. The election commissioner is an independent, non-partisan official appointed by the governor to a 10-year term and confirmed by the state Senate. The commissioner is the primary overseer of all state and local elections in Delaware, and is the custodian of the state’s voter rolls.

###

Contact: Elaine Manlove
Office of the State Election Commissioner
elaine.manlove@delaware.gov
302-739-4277